

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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On page 4 of the specification, please amend the paragraphs beginning at line 4 as follows:

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--To actuate the needle the user grips the flexible strip forming the user gripable portion 541 (which preferably comprises adhesive portions to hold it in its shown folded initial position) and pulls the needle actuation portion 542 out of the housing, the actuation member 540 thereby fully disengaging the housing. More specifically, when the ramp surface 544 is moved it forces the catch [[latch]] 527 away from the lower arm to thereby release it, after which the release portion 528 disengages the ramp allowing the two legs to be pulled out of the housing. As seen in fig. 17, when the actuation member is removed the user gripable portion 551 of the release member is exposed. As for the actuation member, the user gripable portion of the release member preferably comprises adhesive portions to hold it in its shown folded initial position.--

Please Amend the paragraph at line 25 on page 20 as follows:

--When the user decides to remove the needle unit from the skin, the user grips the user gripable portion 551, lifts it away from the housing and pulls it upwardly whereby the loop shortens thereby forcing the lower arm upwardly, this position corresponding to an intermediate release state. By this action the lower arm engages the inclined release portion 528 [[edge portion 529]] of the catch 527 thereby forcing it outwardly until it snaps back under the lower arm corresponding to the position shown in fig. 16. As the actuation member 540 has been removed from the needle unit, the needle carrier is irreversibly locked in its retracted position. When the user further pulls in the release member, the peripheral portion of the sheet member to which the release member is attached will be lifted off the skin, whereby the needle unit with its attached reservoir unit can be removed from the skin, this as shown and described in figs. 7-9.--

Please add the following paragraphs at page 14, line 15:

--The means defined in any claims can be performed by the following exemplary structures:

Attaching means: "attaching means in the form of the adhesive sheet", "attaching means in the form of the coupling means from the pump unit", "the attaching means being adhesive